



Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Proposals are invited from the competent experts, agencies (including Scientific and Technical Institutions), Universities, Non-Governmental Organizations and CBOs within the State of Andhra Pradesh capable in preparation of State Bio-diversity Conservation Strategy and Action Plan for Andhra Pradesh state.

The experts/agencies/organizations having thorough knowledge in preparation of State Bio-diversity Conservation Strategy and Action Plan are eligible for applying. The applying experts/agencies/ organizations must have experience of working on rich biological wealth of Andhra Pradesh state. The experts/agencies/organizations interested to undertake this assignment must have skilled professionals with good liaising capabilities at stakeholder level.

The duration of the assignment is 12 months which will be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the work. Interested experts/agencies should submit their proposals along with financial outlay. The last date for submission of application is **30th November, 2017, 5:00 PM** in the office of the undersigned.

Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board reserves the right to accept or reject the **proposals received** without assigning any **reason**.

The detailed information can be obtained on any working day between 11.00 AM to 5.00 PM from the office of the undersigned or can be downloaded from the website: <http://apbiodiversity.ap.nic.in/>

Member Secretary
A. P. State Biodiversity Board

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BACKGROUND

The Andhra Pradesh Biodiversity Board was established under Section 22(1) of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 vide G.O.Ms.No.68, EFS&T Dept., dated 11.5.2006 which was notified in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette No.290 dated May 20, 2006 as a follow up action of International Convention of Biological Diversity and the Earth Summit held at Rio-De Janeiro in 1992.

In pursuant to the notification of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Biological Diversity Rules 2004, the State Government have framed the Biological Diversity Rules 2009 for implementing and carrying out the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 in A.P. State vide G.O.Ms.No.70, EFS&T Department dated 21.08.2009.

The Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board objectives are as follows:

1. Conservation of Biological Diversity.
2. Sustainable utilization of the Biological Diversity.
3. Fair and equitable sharing of benefits of biological resources among all stake holders.

As per Rule 13 (v) of A.P. Biological Diversity Rules, 2009 one of the general functions of the board are Facilitate updating and implementation of State Bio-diversity Conservation Strategy and Action Plan (SBSAP).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- These SBSAP is a guiding document for the board.
- SBSAP addresses the major objectives of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and A.P. Biological Diversity Rules, 2009 such as conservation, sustainable use, Accesses and Benefit Sharing & safeguarding Traditional Knowledge.
- SBSAP is not a mere documentation exercise but be used to develop an agenda for conservation action.
- SBSAP should emphasize on sustainable management of bio-resources and ways to accrue benefits (ABS) to the community.
- SBSAP may contain proactive and innovative ideas keeping in view the larger /international objectives of the BD Act, APSBDB Rules and all the protocols and conventions it flows from.
- After screening of the proposals, eligible agencies will be required to make brief presentation before the panel of experts.

- Based upon technical suitability of the proposals and competence of the applicant, the SBSAP will be allocated to expert/agency/organization.

AUTHENTICATION AND VALIDATION

SBSAP once drafted, will be authenticated and validated by the Expert Committee formed for the purpose and endorsed by the State Biodiversity Board.

PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EXPERTS/AGENCIES/ ORGANIZATIONS:

- Experts/Agencies/Organizations with experience in documenting Traditional Knowledge Systems (TKS), plant folklore, folk-medicine, ethno-botanical studies, taxonomic identification and documentation of natural resources are eligible for applying.
- The applying experts/agencies/organizations must have an experience of working in the tough and inaccessible rural & tribal areas of Andhra Pradesh and have familiarity with the local customs of Andhra Pradesh.
- The experts/agencies/organizations interested in RFP must have skilled professionals with good liaising capabilities at stakeholder level.
- Should have good in-house infrastructure facilities including Computers, Printers, Scanners, Cameras, Audio-Visual equipment etc.
- Should have sound scientific, technical and professional expertise/advisory group required for the purpose.
- Should be a recognized entity with good profile having skilled professionals to undertake the assignment.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board reserves the right to modify, expand, restrict, scrap, re-advertise or cancel the RFP process at any stage without assigning any reasons whatsoever and Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board will not entertain any claim arising out of such action by Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board from any of the applicants.
- The amount will be released in installments as: 20% of the total amount will be released after signing the contract/TOR/MoU **envisaging the terms and conditions** and next 50% amount will be released after the midterm evaluation and the remaining 30% will be released on completion of the project on submission of reports along with Utilization Certificate.
- Responses received after the stipulated time period or those which are not in accordance with the specified format will be summarily rejected. Delivery of the responses along with documents at the prescribed address will be the sole responsibility of the responding agency.

order of preference

- The experts/agencies/organizations are required to submit a tentative time plan required for preparing SBSAP.
- After screening of the proposals, eligible experts/agencies/organizations will be required to make a brief presentation before the panel of experts.
- The proposals should include the time line and financial implications should be submitted in sealed envelopes along with the details of the applying agency.

The signed/sealed proposals need to be submitted in duplicate to:

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